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states that Mustafa al-'Aris will be the sole candidate of the Communist Party in the Lebanese national elections scheduled for 15 April 1951.

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- 2. According to the Central Committee of the Lebanese Communist Party, during a meeting held on 10 March 1951, decided to boycott the coming elections everywhere except in Beirut. In that city Party members will be instructed to vote if the Party's candidate, Mustafa al-'Aris, appears to have a chance of winning; otherwise the elections will be boycotted in Beirut as well.
- 3. The Central Committee has already sent its instructions to boycott the elections to Party leaders in the four muhafazats of South Lebanon, North Lebanon, Mount Lebanon, and the Biqa', and on 14 March the Committee was to distribute a pamphlet explaining this move.

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